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BATHURST GUIDE,

EMBRACING PARTICULARS DESCRIPTIVE OF THE

RISE AND PROGRESS OF THE CITY

AND ITS

PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS,

INCLUDING

ILLUSTRATIONS OF THE PRINCIPAL BUILDINGS, PARKS, AND SCENERY OF THE DISTRICT.

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Borough of Bathurst.

Proclaimed 13th November, 1862.

THIS Borough comprises the town of Bathurst, on the Macquarie river, and at date of incorporation contained a population of about 4,000 inhabitants; this number has since increased to 10,000.

Approximate area of Borough, 2 square miles.			
Estimated number of dwellings, 1,780.			
Estimated value of lands and buildings	£904,639	7	6
Assessed value of rateable property	63,705	0	0
Capital value of unimproved lands	66,980	0	0
Amount of general rate at 1/- in the £	3,185	5	0

WATER SUPPLY.

Cost of construction of waterworks	£48,319	8	1
Cost of extensions and additions	6,434	19	9
Length of mains, 23 miles.			
Amount of water rate at 1/- in the £	3,075	2	0
Amount of sundry supply	200	0	0
Working expenses per annum	1,500	0	0

A new reservoir, to hold 750,000 gallons of water, is now being constructed at an estimated cost of £5,000.

GASWORKS.

Cost of construction and extensions	£21,018	9	0
Quantity of gas made per annum, 30,000,000 cubic feet.			
Price of gas to general public, 3/4 per 1000 cubic feet, nett.			
Average cost of working expenses and interest, per annum ...	4,595	0	0
Amount of lighting rate at 6d. in the £	1,595	0	0

An additional gasholder is now being constructed at an estimated cost of £4,000.

PARKS AND RESERVES.

Machattie Park ... area, 8 acres.	Carrington Park ... area, 10 acres.
Princes Park ... „ 10 „	Victoria Park ... „ 10 „
Centennial Park ... „ 10 „	

These are all fenced, planted, and otherwise improved.

Other Reserves.

Botanical Gardens | Market Square. | Haymarket Reserve.

SALEYARDS.

Extensive saleyards have been erected by the Council at a cost of £2,850, and for the convenience of patrons, trucking yards are now being erected in connection with the saleyards.

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BATHURST AS A HEALTH RESORT.

BATHURST being situated upon an undulating plain, 2,300 feet above the sea, from which it is separated by the sandstone range, 100 miles wide, of the Blue Mountains, one would naturally expect it to possess a climate suitable to most pulmonary complaints. That this is the case has been abundantly proved by the recovery of many patients who arrived here in apparently an advanced stage of phthisis, having found the climate of the coast and higher mountain elevations unfavourable to the complaint. The subsoil of Bathurst is granitic; the summer temperature seldom rises above 100° Fahr., and in the pure, dry atmosphere—the coast breeze having been deprived of its moisture by the mountains—this heat is borne better than 10° less would be on the coast. In winter the thermometer at night sometimes falls as low as 18° below freezing point, yet the days are bright and sunny as in summer. Snow is seldom seen on the plains, and they bask in the sunshine when the distant hills are white. Should the tourist in search of health be disheartened by not deriving benefit from a sojourn on the more lofty mountains, let him take courage, for a few hours of railway will bear him to this magnificent health-giving plain, the fame of which is now but in its infancy. The day is not far distant when the grassy slopes of the basaltic ridge that overlooks the city will be covered with villas for the accommodation of asthmatic and consumptive patients seeking to renew their health.

THE PARKS.

Bathurst possesses eight reserves. Of these, five are within the municipality. The three that lie outside its bounds are Macquarie Park skirting the river bank; a site reserved for a Botanical Garden; and the Bathurst Common, a portion of which has been resumed by

the Government for the purposes of a model farm. Princes, Centennial, Victoria, and Carrington Parks consist each of 10 acres. They are securely fenced and planted with ornamental trees and shrubs The smallest but most important reserve is Machattie Park, so named after the late Dr. MACHATTIE, whose name is still a household word throughout the district. It consists of a block of eight acres in the centre of the city, the site of the former gaol, which was pulled down in 1889. The grounds are tastefully planted with a variety of shade-giving trees, laid out in flower beds, and traversed by paths 12 feet wide, the main track being 25 feet across. A fernery, the largest in the colony, contains a choice selection of native and intercolonial ferns, and a central fountain, whose waters at the base are stocked with golden carp. The great iron fountain is 21 feet in height, and spouts its waters from 50 jets into a circular basin at its base 35 feet in diameter. This fountain was the gift of the Progress Association to the Park. In the central pavilion the District Band plays on one evening in each summer week, and the concerts are greatly appreciated by a large concourse of promenaders. At the George Street entrance stands a drinking fountain, erected by the citizens in honour of Mr. and Mrs. MONRO on their departure from Bathurst, the interests of which they had so much at heart. An ornamental lakelet is well stocked with specimens of native aquatic birds and adorned with two smaller jets of sparkling water. The gardener's house, an attractive cottage, is situated at an angle of the Park. The gardener is Mr. PATTERSON, to whose energy and taste is due the transformation of a gloomy and hideous gaol reserve into one of the most charming pleasure resorts of the colony.

THE SWIMMING BATHS.

These baths differ in construction from most city baths, inasmuch as they are unroofed, with the exception of the dressing rooms and shower baths, thus admitting sun and air to the water, and ensuring perfect ventilation. The main bath has a capacity of 80,000 gallons, and is supplied from a well sunk into the granite, whence the water, clear as crystal, issues at a uniform temperature of 62°. The basin is constructed of brick, lined with concrete and cement, and an iron rod fixed

a few inches above the surface of the water, together with a step 3 feet below, afford assistance to swimmers. The shallow end, 50 feet by 30 feet, is of nearly uniform depth, and is lined with white tiles. The water is kept pure by an effective spray, which creates a gentle movement of the surface water towards a catchment trough. At certain hours the baths are reserved for the use of ladies, and many matrons as well as children have learned to swim therein. We hope soon to see this indispensable art introduced into the Public School curriculum. The pupils of All Saints' and St. Stanislaus' Colleges avail themselves of the advantages offered by these baths, and include some of the best amateurs of the colony. Attached to the baths is a spacious handball court, a shelter shed, and gymnastic apparatus.



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THE residents of Bathurst, and those in the large and important districts surrounding the city, point with pardonable pride to the imposing edifices, which may be described as national or government buildings. The Court House, Post Office, and Telegraph Offices occupy a site in the centre of the city, facing Russell Street; and forming as they do one building of uniform design, erected at a cost of over £70,000, will at once convey to the observer the impression that the government was assured of the stability and future importance of Bathurst as the Metropolis of the West. No figures are necessary to show the enormous amount of business transacted when it is pointed out that these extensive premises, with their almost unlimited offices and chambers, are fully occupied, and that large staffs of officials are constantly and busily employed.

Bathurst Gaol, erected at a cost of £120,000, stands on a site near the city, overlooking one of the most extensive and beautiful landscapes in the colony. The area occupied is about 10 acres in extent. The buildings are massive, and all internal arrangements are of the most modern and effective description.

Bathurst, from its position and salubrity of climate, was selected as the site of the principal prison for the western parts of the colony. Although the necessity for this last institution may be regretted, yet it is referred to as another instance to justify the citizens in regarding Bathurst as the Western Metropolis.

Among the other buildings of which the inhabitants may be proud are the Hospital, the Public Schools, the Anglican and Roman Catholic Cathedrals, the Presbyterian Church, the Wesleyan Church in William Street, the School of Arts, and the Masonic Hall.



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No 1 Post Office (2) Court House

PUBLIC BUILDINGS.

(3) Telegraph Office

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Bathurst Agricultural, Horticultural, and Pastoral Association.

BATHURST prides itself on its Show Ground, which comprises an area of 25 acres, and which is situated on the left bank of the Macquarie River, at the western end of the town, and is under the control of the above Society. It is naturally one of the best of its kind in the colony, being not only convenient to the city but also in every way adapted for show purposes; and the Association, one of the most flourishing societies connected with Bathurst, has expended a large sum in erecting all buildings and other improvements necessary to make the ground a complete one. The improvements are valued at over £12,000.

At the main entrance, in the centre of a nice garden, stands a pretty and compact caretaker's residence. A gravelled drive, planted with trees on either side, leads to the main exhibition building. This building and the Art Gallery, running parallel to it, are very large and commodious, being, in length, respectively, 100 feet and 97 feet, and in breadth 60 feet and 70 feet. The Art Gallery, lighted from the roof, which is supported on large circular principals, is especially fine and lofty.

Not far from the buildings, on one side of the fine oval trotting track (half a mile in circumference), the Grand Stand is erected, a structure 150 feet long by a breadth of 40 feet, capable of seating 2,000 persons, and under which are large banqueting and tea rooms. This Stand is without exception the finest out of the Metropolis, and its general attractiveness is enhanced by a nicely kept lawn, enclosed with iron railings.

On the eastern side of these buildings again, are situated the Agricultural Hall and the extensive Sheep and Pig Pavilions, all of

these for superiority of build, convenience of internal arrangement and general commodiousness are not to be excelled in the colony. The other buildings and improvements on the ground include horse and cattle stalls, publicans' booths and fruit stalls, all of a very permanent nature, substantially built of wood and roofed with iron. Each is worthy of special mention would space permit.

But with all these buildings and improvements the Society is taxed to its utmost to find room for the exhibits, and accommodation for the visitors to its annual Show, which last year was equal to the largest, if it was not indeed the largest, as well as the best in New South Wales. The exhibits numbered over 4,000, and the attendance was estimated at more than 25,000, 18,000 of whom passed through the gates on the second day of the show, and the amount paid at the gates for admission to the ground reached the sum of £948, which was nearly £800 in excess of the amount taken in 1878 (the first year in which the show was held on the present site). And here perhaps it would be interesting to give a short review of the history of this flourishing Society. The first agricultural show was held at O'Connell Plains on the 9th April, 1860. The officers were as follows :—

PRESIDENT	J. W. LOWE, J.P.
VICE PRESIDENTS	C. M. McPHILLAMY, J.P. C. WHALAN, J.P.
HON. TREASURER	DAVID NOLAN.
HON. SECRETARY	R. S. BACK.

And a committee of twenty. The schedule comprised some twenty classes, and the prizes amounted in value to £50. A ploughing match was held in the early part of the day, and amongst the competing ploughmen some might be seen using heavy wooden ploughs drawn by teams of bullocks.

During the next eighteen years the annual shows were held with varying success, for the first two years at O'Connell, the next at Alloway Bank (the property of the late W. H. SUTTOR), then at Raglan, and afterwards on the Racecourse until the year 1878, when the show was removed to its present site. The change, which was made in 1878, proved very beneficial in every respect, and amongst other things it enabled the Society to hold a two days' show instead of one as formerly.

Indeed, so rapidly did this annual show grow in popular favour and importance that in 1882 it was found necessary to open the show for three instead of two days. Thus the reader will see that the exhibition has year by year found increased favour with the public, and proved of immense importance to the district. A glance at the subjoined comparative table will show the rapid strides made by the Society in the past ten years.

COMPARATIVE TABLE.

	1882.			1892.		
Number of Members	175			362		
Number of Exhibits	940			4,075		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Gate Receipts	209	19	7	945	1	9
Amount offered in Prizes	369	9	6	1,329	2	0
Sale of Rights	50	0	0	254	12	6
Entrance Fees	13	11	6	141	10	2

The greatest evidence of the value of the Society to the District is to be seen in the increase in number and quality of the exhibits in the various sections, which now come from all parts of the colony; and this improvement is in a great measure to be traced to the healthy and keen competition engendered at each successive exhibition.

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progress. The library increased its number of volumes and the roll of subscribers was largely added to, and additions were made to the hall. In 1880 prosperity returned, and the annual reports became more jubilant in tone. The reading room was enlarged by the removal of a partition separating it from a room previously used as a Lands office. It now measures 50 feet in length by 24 feet in width, and is the most comfortable and well-appointed room of its character out of Sydney. The lecture hall measures 115 feet in length by 49 feet in width, and possesses an unusually large and well-furnished stage. In 1881 a Grand Juvenile Industrial Exhibition was held under the auspices of the School of Arts. It was formally opened in November by the Lieut.-Governor, Sir ALFRED STEPHEN; was kept open for eight days, and proved a great success, the pecuniary profit to the institution being £900. In 1882 the acoustic qualities of the hall were greatly improved, and its seating capacity increased by the addition of a dress circle, designed by the late Dr. SPENCER and erected by Mr. J. H. MILLS. Other improvements were effected, and the cost was met by a second bazaar, projected and carried out by the ladies of Bathurst, and by a series of concerts, two given by the Sydney Liedertafel. In 1883 the committee turned its attention to technical education. Geological specimens and various scientific appliances were procured, and for some years technical lectures were delivered in class rooms fitted up below the stage. Between 1883 and 1885 considerable improvements were made in the reading room. A spacious balcony was built by Mr. J. J. ATKINS, from the designs of Mr. HINE, for use as a banqueting room and minor lecture hall; glass belvederes were constructed; an iron staircase was made to lead to a promenade and observatory on the roof; iron gates were added to the William Street entrance; and handsome marble mantelpieces placed in the reading room. In 1886 a splendid collection of geological specimens and minerals was presented to the institution by Mr. S. L. BENSUSAN, who was elected a life member as a mark of appreciation and esteem. Towards the close of 1891 a large room on the ground floor became vacant, and was appropriated to the uses of the fast increasing library.

During the last few years the principal events of interest have been

the inauguration of Winter Popular Entertainments, various unsuccessful attempts to throw open the institution on Sundays, and a complete systematizing of the methods of keeping the various accounts. The School of Arts, although sharing the present universal depression, is yet in a sound and solvent, if not actually prosperous, condition. Its library and reading rooms are well stocked, the latest improvements have been effected in the lecture hall, and matters are being conducted in a prudent spirit of economy. All that is needed is cordial and sympathetic public support. As the intellectual wants of the community increase, the School of Arts will be found to keep pace with all requirements, and fulfil the intention of its original promoters in acting as an educational factor of the highest importance.

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Table showing the progress of the School of Arts from its foundation to the present time.

Year.	Members.	Books.	Debt.	Expended on Books, &c.
			£ s. d.	£ s. d.
1855	52	451	Nil	120 0 0
1856	55	536	„	90 0 0
1857	123	823	„	99 7 1
1858	106	823	„	Nil
1859	99	1,120	„	111 2 0
1860	73	1,120	1,000 0 0	30 0 0
1861	165	1,242	1,110 3 2	120 0 0
1862	87	1,310	951 8 11	21 10 3
1863	75	1,360	847 14 5	20 0 0
1864	88	1,400	655 16 1	74 16 8
1865	85	1,640	411 14 8	75 0 0
1866	120	1,867	176 10 1	65 13 10
1867	112	1,957	Nil	46 16 1
1868	110	1,957	260 12 7	Nil
*1869	107	*1,658	124 6 6	130 13 10
1870	162	1,878	Nil	136 17 9
1871	186	2,580	Nil	230 3 9
1872	258	3,192	„	150 15 5
1873	269	3,640	„	180 0 0
1874	324	4,003	4,000 0 0	130 0 0
1875	342	4,451	2,860 0 0	170 0 0
1876	334	4,885	1,975 12 0	215 1 3
1877	294	5,254	1,480 0 0	170 0 0
1878	285	5,749	1,380 0 0	175 16 0
1879	271	6,051	1,280 0 0	160 0 0
1880	377	6,323	1,180 0 0	184 19 2
1881	514	6,813	Nil	150 0 0
1882	504	7,278	1,384 6 10	170 0 0
1883	522	7,709	249 16 1	287 19 1
1884	524	8,229	Nil	296 5 3
1885	532	8,547	496 2 1	200 0 0
1886	†539	9,359	977 0 8	100 0 0
1887	508	9,571	1,016 2 3	196 8 8
1888	515	‡9,906	984 0 2	§324 14 9
1889	427	10,256	998 4 1	160 16 6
1890	450	10,759	941 6 7	289 7 4
1891	450	11,153	881 9 2	219 9 7
1892	479	11,633	984 18 9	192 14 0
				£5,496 8 3

* During 1869 the library was re-classified, and a large number of worn-out works discarded.

† Largest number of members at the end of any one year, 539.

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THE Bathurst Schools under the control of the Department of Public Instruction comprise the Girls' High School, the Superior Public School, and the Public Schools at Milltown and Kelso.

The Superior Public School buildings occupy 1½ acres of land in a central position, facing Howick Street, and enclosed on the three remaining sides by the School of Arts Hall, the Church of England Cathedral, and the Presbyterian Church. They include two large buildings : one a handsome structure in Gothic style, erected in 1872, and the other a building of two storeys of plainer design, erected some years later. The former, which is used by the Boys' and Girls' Departments, contains two large rooms, 60 ft. by 24 ft.; two smaller ones, 40 ft. by 20 ft.; and two class rooms, 24 ft. by 20 ft. All these rooms have open roofs, are very lofty, and therefore well ventilated. The other building contains two large rooms, 45 ft. by 20 ft., two storeys, and is occupied by the Infants' Department. The accommodation of the pupils, when in the playground, is provided for by means of three weather-sheds, which serve as a shelter from sun and rain. The school ranks as first class, and is divided into Boys', Girls', and Infants' Departments, having enrolments of 380, 340, and 350 respectively, making a total of 1,070 The average attendance varies from 750 to 800. The teaching staff consists of Mr. D. FERGUSON, head master; Miss BLUETT, mistress of Girls' Department; and Miss TREZISE, mistress of Infants' Department, who are assisted in the performance of their duties by six assistants, eight pupil teachers, and a sewing mistress.

The Public School buildings at Milltown occupy about three acres of ground in South Bathurst. This school, which has two departments

ranks as a fourth class. Mr. REILLY, the teacher, has with him, in the Boys' Department, one assistant and two pupil teachers; and Miss WHITELOCKE, the mistress of the Infants' Department, is assisted by two pupil teachers. The enrolment reaches 400, while the average attendance is about 270.

The Public School at Kelso occupies a good position on the eastern bank of the Macquarie. It ranks as a sixth class, and is under the control of Mr. ROCKLIFF, who is assisted by one pupil teacher. The enrolment is 120, while the average attendance is over 90.



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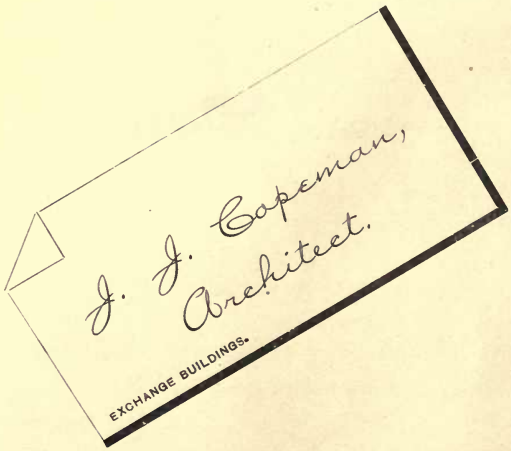
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Technical Education in Bathurst.

THE BATHURST TECHNICAL SCHOOL was established in 1885 by the Board of Technical Education of New South Wales. At first the School was a very modest one, consisting of three Science Classes and one in Geometrical Drawing. The Science Classes met at the School of Arts and the Drawing Class in a room hired for the purpose. The School steadily increased both in number of students and variety of subjects taught, and in 1888 commodious rooms were engaged in Russell Street, where all the classes have since met. Towards the close of 1889 the Board of Technical Education ceased to exist, and the Technical School is now under the Technical Education Branch of the Department of Public Instruction, of which Mr. F. Bridges is Superintendent. At the present time (1893), the following Classes are held :—

Applied Mechanics.
Agriculture.
Architecture.
Botany.
Bookkeeping.
Chemistry (Theoretical and Practical).
Freehand Drawing.
Geology
Mathematics.
Mechanical Drawing.
Model Drawing.
Mineralogy.
Mineral Prospecting.
Practical Geometry.
Perspective.
Phonography.
Physics.

The teaching staff includes—

Mr. W. J. CLUNIES ROSS, B.Sc., Lond., F.G.S., Science Master, in Charge of the School.
Mr. JAMES HINE, Art Master.
Mr. W. DRYDEN, Teacher of Phonography.

A tolerably complete scientific education can thus be obtained at the School, and the citizens have shown themselves alive to the advantages offered, over 200 individual students having been enrolled during 1892. Several students, after studying science in Bathurst, have proceeded to Scotland to qualify in Medicine, and one was selected by the Railway Commissioners to study Electrical Engineering in England. The students have also distinguished themselves at the examinations held annually by the Department, when prizes and certificates are awarded.

Technological Museum.

In 1890, the Minister for Public Instruction having decided to establish Technological Museums in the leading country towns, a building was engaged in Keppel Street, Bathurst, for the purpose. This was suitably fitted up, and a large number of exhibits sent from the Sydney Museum. Many valuable donations have also been made locally, and about 2,000 specimens are now shown in the Museum, which is open daily to the public, free, from noon to 5 p.m. The exhibits have mostly an educational value, and include a fine collection of wools from the bests flocks of this and the neighbouring colonies; a large and very complete set of New South Wales timbers and ornamental woods; an extensive collection of minerals, rocks and fossils; as well as specimens to illustrate various manufacturing processes. During 1892 over 12,000 persons visited the Museum, which is in intimate connection with the Sydney Museum. Mr. Ross is the local Curator, and Mr. W. Pascoe, Museum Attendant, both of whom are very ready to assist miners and others in the determination of mineral specimens and to afford information in reference to the exhibits. A special feature is made of the mineral, agricultural, and other products of the District, and visitors to the City are now able to obtain a tolerably definite idea of the resources of the surrounding country by a visit to the Museum.

It is hoped that in time a suitable building will be erected in a central situation, large enough to accommodate the Museum and Technical School, including facilities for manual training.

Bathurst Scientific Society.

Up to 1890 there was no place in Bathurst where ladies and gentlemen interested in science could meet to exchange ideas on their favourite pursuits. It was, therefore, decided to form a Local Scientific Society. The Superintendent of Technical Education granted the free use of the Technical School for the purpose, and meetings are now held on the second Saturday in each month, when papers are read and specimens exhibited.

The office of President is now vacant owing to the lamented death of Dr. W. W. Spencer. The subscription is a nominal one, and the meetings are well attended.

A branch of the Australasian Home Reading Union also meets in Bathurst, of which Mrs. Thurburn is Secretary.

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ST. STANISLAUS' COLLEGE.

St. Stanislaus' College.

VISITORS to Bathurst cannot fail to notice a noble pile of buildings of Gothic character crowning the summit of one of the hills overlooking the city. This is St. Stanislaus' College, a pioneer amongst the Catholic Colleges of Australia. It was founded by the Right Rev. Matthew Quinn, late R.C. Bishop of Bathurst. The first stone was laid on 21st January, 1872, and the building, as it stands now, was completed in 1881, at a cost of £20,000, and is a splendid tribute to the architectural skill of E. Gell, Esq.

The first President was the present pastor of Forbes, the Very Rev. Dean McAuliffe, D.D. In 1889, at the invitation of the Right Rev. Dr. Byrne, the Vincentian Fathers assumed the control of this establishment, with a view to introducing their method of teaching and discipline, which has been so successful in their many Colleges scattered over the world. Under the new management the Very Rev. J. Byrne, C.M., presides over the establishment, and is assisted by four of the Fathers, two resident lay masters, and four non-resident.

Within the past three years the College, in its discipline, method and matter of studies and educational equipment, has undergone complete change, so that visitors are now agreeably surprised to find everything fully abreast of the time. The spacious Dormitories, well lighted and elegantly furnished Study Hall, the Pupils' Library, the Museum, Physic and Chemistry Halls, and Class Rooms, create an impression that the pupils have even more advantages than those attending metropolitan establishments—an impression which is heightened by the fact that at the University examinations this College has taken first place for some time past for passes proportionate to number. Very many of the pupils of St. Stanislaus' College have won high positions in the colony in their various professions and pursuits, and even in the arena of manly sports its football team has been highly successful.

Visitors to Bathurst can spend a pleasant hour or two in an inspection of the College, where they receive every attention at the hands of the President and his staff.

THE ▲ ROYAL ▲ HOTEL,

William Street, BATHURST,

OCCUPIES the most central position in the city. It stands on an acre of ground, contains eighty-five rooms, and is equipped in such a manner as to rank with any hotel in Australia for accommodation, comfort, and privacy.

There are three storeys in the HOTEL, which is capable of accommodating seventy-five people. From the top storey an excellent view is obtained of the City of the Plains—so justly designated the Sanatorium of the West—and the picturesque expanse of surrounding country. On the ground floor the bar is fitted up in the latest style, with due regard to comfort and privacy. The front verandah is ornately tiled, and contains several easy lounges for an afternoon's smoke or *siesta*. Three cosy sitting-rooms are adjacent to the bar. On the second floor there are lofty and well-ventilated drawing-rooms, ladies' dining-rooms, and sitting-rooms for ladies and gentlemen or families, all furnished in elegant style and adjacent to bedrooms, as well as other conveniences, so that visitors at the ROYAL practically find themselves in a private house. The next floor is fitted up with suites and single rooms for gentlemen, and the south wing of the HOTEL is also subdivided into single bedrooms. Bathrooms are to be found on each floor, fitted up with enamel baths, and the luxury of a hot or cold plunge and shower bath may be enjoyed. A speciality of the HOTEL is the large Commercial Room, and eight Sample Rooms for commercial travellers are fitted up with all requisite appliances.

The dining-room, situate on the ground floor, is capable of seating eighty people, and contains a number of small tables for family meals in *café* style. In close proximity to the dining-room is a very convenient lavatory, and adjoining this is the Billiard-room, fitted up with one of ALCOCK'S very best tables.

The *Cuisine* department is under the management of a highly-qualified *chef*, and the work of the HOTEL is carried on by a thoroughly competent staff.

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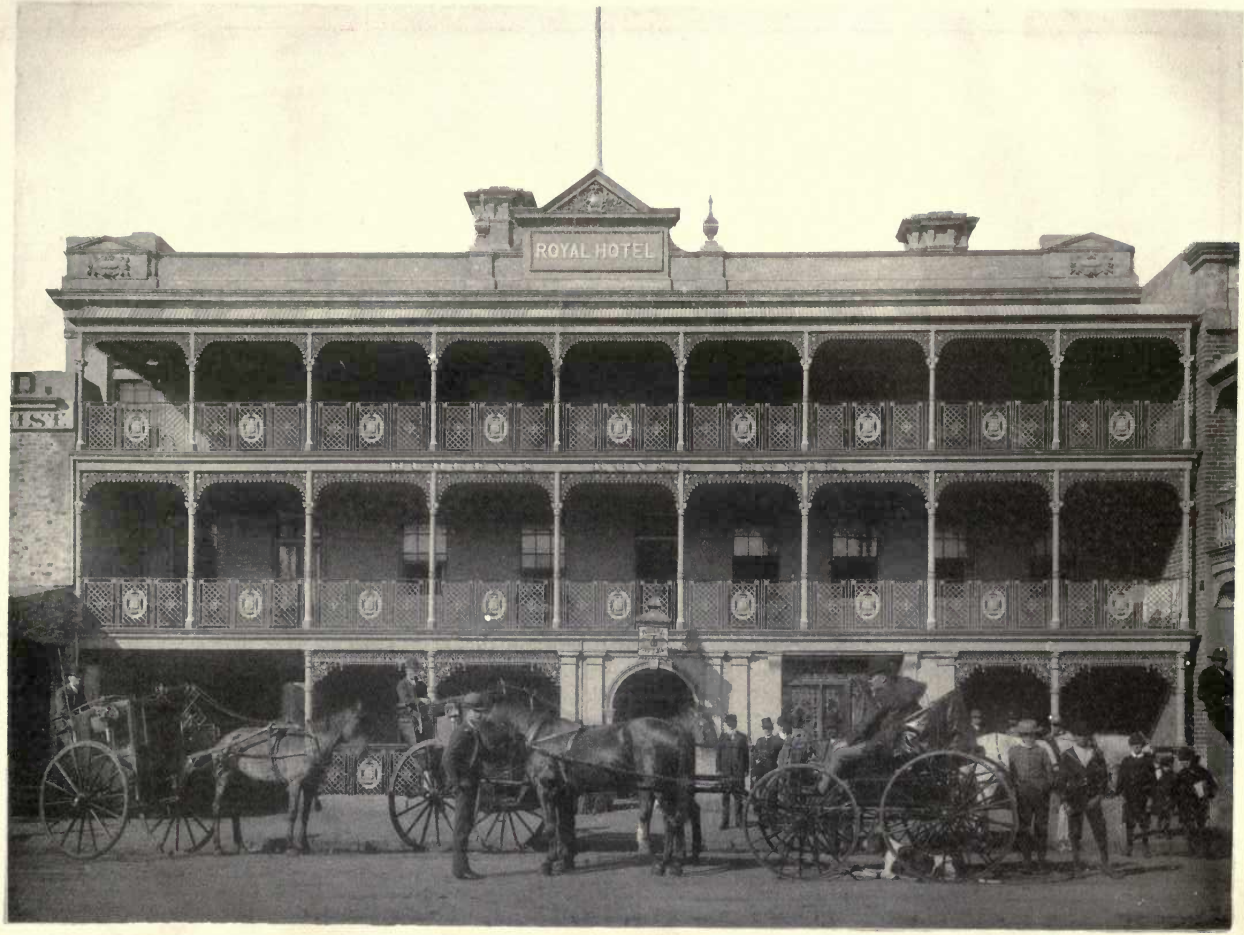
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ROYAL HOTEL

The Bathurst District Hospital.

AMONGST the public buildings of Bathurst the above institution ranks second to none. It is an imposing edifice situated upon the northern heights of the city, at a distance of three-quarters of a mile from the central public offices.

The Hospital buildings stand in their own grounds, comprising ten acres of tastefully laid out land, planted with ornamental trees and shrubs, with flower garden in the immediate vicinity of the buildings, and separated by the width of a street from Victoria Park.

The grounds are entered from Howick Street, through handsome iron gates, and the main building is seen to be an imposing structure, built of brick on the "Pavilion" principle. For its Hospital, in respect to which Bathurst is second to no provincial city of New South Wales, the District is in a great measure indebted to the disinterested and untiring exertions of the late President of the Institution, Mr. R. Y. COUSINS, whose portrait occupies a place of honor in the Board Room.

Although the foundation of the Institution dates back to the year 1842, 1892 being its Jubilee year, the present handsome structure only came into use in 1880, having been erected upon a site granted for the purpose by the Government of the day. The cost of £15,000 (nearly) was defrayed by voluntary subscriptions, supplemented by a *pro rata* Government subsidy, and the Institution is now free from debt.

The opening ceremony in connection with the Hospital as it stands at present was performed by a former Governor of the Colony, Lord AUGUSTUS LOFTUS, on the 10th of November, 1880. In its construction one of the most approved of modern systems of hospital architecture has been adopted, viz., the "Pavilion" principle, of which the best

known examples, probably, are the Royal Edinburgh Infirmary and St. Thomas' Hospital, London.

The buildings, having an eastern and western aspect, consist of a central single story square block surmounted by a tower, flanked by oblong single story wings bearing turrets at the corners, communication being established between the "Pavilions" so formed by means of continuous verandahs and balconies on the eastern side; the whole presenting a frontage of about ninety by a depth of eighteen yards.

The central block is chiefly devoted to administrative purposes, but also contains the wards set apart for paying patients, and (in the tower building) the ward devoted to the accommodation of infectious cases. In addition to these, here are the Board Room, in which the committee meetings are held; the Consulting and Waiting Rooms; the Operating Theatre; the Dispensary and the quarters of the resident staff, with, in the basement, the general kitchen, offices, &c.

The Pavilions forming the wings are devoted to the accommodation of ordinary patients, and each contains an upper and lower ward 40 feet long by 26 feet wide, with a height of 15 feet, each capable of accommodating ten patients, with rooms for the nurses on duty, and lavatories, &c., opening upon each ward.

Ventilation is well provided for by numerous windows and ventilating shafts, and the rooms opening from the wards upon the balconies on either side are so arranged as to admit of the passage of the beds of convalescent patients, a privilege capable of being largely availed of in the Bathurst climate, and affording to Hospital inmates the magnificent view to be obtained from the eastern outlook, one of the finest in the city, opening as it does upon the Valley of the Macquarie River, with wooded heights in the distance. A prominent object in the landscape is the imposing residence of the President of the Institution, Mr. James Rutherford.

A commodious Laundry and a Mortuary, each separated by some distance from the Hospital itself, complete the list of buildings.

The Management of the Hospital is conducted by a President, two Vice-Presidents, an Honorary Treasurer, and a Committee of twenty;



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BATHURST HOSPITAL.

the whole elected at the annual meeting of subscribers, at which meeting the Honorary Medical Staff, consisting of a consulting and three ordinary medical officers, is also appointed.

The Resident Staff consists of a Secretary and Dispenser, a Matron, and six Nurses.

During the past year over 380 patients availed themselves of the privileges of the Institution.

Bathurst as a Business City.

MANY travellers are in the habit of purchasing large quantities of luxuries in various forms prior to starting on their journey. The result is they are continually worrying themselves about their luggage. Those who have the good fortune to wend their way to Bathurst find that, although she is an inland town, yet she is well ahead of many seaports in the matter of fashions and luxuries. Amongst the many fine mercantile houses we must place that of E. Webb & Co. first, rivalling, as it does, those of the Metropolis.

On another page in this Guide will be found a good picture of the fine pile so well known as "Webb's Buildings." They stand on the north-western side of Machattie Park. The floor space covers an area of about 1¼ acres, and the number of hands employed is about 160. Here one can buy almost every conceivable article, from the proverbial "needle to the anchor," and we may call the proprietors "Universal Providers."

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A large number of hands are kept at work manufacturing Boots and Shoes. The goods have been sent in quantities to Tasmania and



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The Drives and Walks of Bathurst.

THE VALE ROAD.

FEW cities of the size of Bathurst can boast of a greater variety of charming walks and drives in the immediate neighbourhood. The space at our disposal will not permit of more than a very brief reference to the most popular and frequented resorts. Of these, the Vale Road undoubtedly takes the palm. An iron girder bridge crosses the railway at Milltown, and from that point the road extends to George's Plains, a level stretch of about eight miles, running parallel with the railway, and having the sinuous curves of the Vale Creek, with its fertile paddocks on the left. The road is well metalled and bordered with briar hedges, whose vivid red berries and brown stems form a rich winter contrast to the dead gold of the weeping willows on the banks of the creek, the fresh green hues of the lucerne paddocks and the more distant sombre tints of the gums on the adjacent slopes. Sheltered by the heights of the Bald Hills on one side and the less conspicuous ridge which separates the Vale Creek from the Macquarie on the other side, the Vale Road presents admirable sites for suburban residences, and the citizens have not been slow to avail themselves of its advantages. From the little village of Perth, about five miles from Bathurst, roads branch off to Rockley and the Lagoon.

THE ESROM ROAD.

Driving down Durham-street, and passing the Hospital on the left, we come upon the Esrom Road. On turning the shoulder of a granite ridge studded with reefs of quartz, a beautiful and extensive view of the Macquarie Valley is revealed. The course of the river is marked by



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MOUNT PLEASANT.

clumps of willow and towering casuarina, while the flats are divided into numerous and fertile paddocks. In the distance can be seen Hereford, Cangoura and Alloway Bank, while to the left lies Bradwardine, the Bathurst residence of the Hon. F. B. Suttor. After surmounting the hill which lies beyond Esrom, a new panorama appears. To the left, the view is limited by slopes of corn land ; in front frowns the Mount, conspicuous upon which is the monument erected to the memory of Lieutenant-General Stewart, one of the earliest settlers in the district ; while at its foot lies the beautiful mansion of James Stewart, Esq., built of grey granite quarried from the Mount. At the foot of the hill on which we stand, a bridge built on piles spans the Macquarie, and the road, passing the little village of Eglinton, celebrated for its honey and dairy produce, gives access to roads leading respectively to Kelso, Duramana and Broadwater. The Esrom Main Road, however, passes the Mount and crosses the Evans Plains Creek near its junction with the Macquarie. The excursionist from Bathurst may, however, turn into a lane skirting the Mount, and, debouching on the Orange road, near the Dunkeld bridge, return to the city past the Cemetery and Gaol.

THE SYDNEY ROAD.

Skirting the Show Ground of the Agricultural Society and crossing the Denison Bridge, the traveller finds himself on the main road to Sydney. The little village of Kelso forms a starting point for several pleasant excursions.

Following the main road for two miles he comes to Raglan, a little village lying in the hollow close to the railway line ; and three miles further on he reaches Glanmire, where, not far from the road, stands out the picturesque residence of the Hon. E. Combes, who owns a large property in the beautiful Winburndale Valley. After Glanmire the road becomes more hilly, and a great deal of beautiful scenery is to be found in the neighbourhood of the Gulf, an extinct crater from which issues a crystal stream, forming waterfalls over huge lava blocks.

LIMEKILNS ROAD.

Starting again from Kelso, and climbing the hill to the left, the Winburndale is crossed some five miles further on; and then surmounting the ridge which forms the watershed of the Winburndale and Clear Creeks, the traveller is rewarded by a magnificent view of bush-covered hills and gullies, in which, if he is inclined for sport, he can usually find plenty of game. Eighteen miles from Bathurst is the Limekilns district, with its interesting caves and fossil formations.

KELSO CHURCH, PEEL, DURAMANA AND THE FORGE.

Should more level ground be preferred, a third road leads past Kelso Church—an object of historical interest as the first church built on the western side of the Blue Mountains. A mile further the traveller comes to roads which branch off in different directions. The one to the right leads past Pine Hills and Brucedale to Peel, formerly a mining settlement, the other road goes past Cangoura and Alloway Bank, the former seat of the Suttor family; and by taking a turn to the right, we get by a very hilly road to Duramana, a distance of nine or ten miles, whence a track leads to Sofala and Hill End, and indirectly to the Forge, a bar of rock on the Macquarie River which has become a favourite resort for anglers.

BREWONGLE AND O'CONNELL.

Crossing the railway line at Kelso we pass the residences of Mr. John Lee and Mr. E. T. Webb, and mounting a hill which gradually ascends for some three miles, we look down at length on the valley of the Macquarie. A mile past the Hon. Geo. Lee's house the road to Brewongle bears away to the left, and the pretty river scenery of Locksley lies within easy reach. Pursuing, however, the main road we reach O'Connell on the Fish River (13 miles).

WHITE ROCK.

Taking the same road across the railway at Kelso, and taking the first turn to the right, a drive of a few miles takes us to White Rock,



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RANKEN'S BRIDGE.

in the neighbourhood of which the maiden hair fern grows in profusion among huge granite boulders.

In addition to the drives above mentioned the Orange and Evans Plains Roads are well metalled, and present attractive glimpses of scenery from almost every eminence A particularly pretty drive over the Bald Hills connects Evans Plains (4 miles) with Perth (5 miles), whence a return is made to Bathurst along the Vale Road.

BATHURST is recognised throughout the Australias for the salubrity of its climate and the celebrity of its inhabitants. It may well be designated the Sanatorium of New South Wales.

We have seen invalids visiting Bathurst, on the recommendation of their medical advisers, who could go through "the eye of a needle." After a few months here they left with a corporation that would fit them for aldermanic honors.

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All Saints' College, Bathurst.

ON a hill overlooking the city stands ALL SAINTS' COLLEGE, a quaint, comfortable-looking building of red brick, faced with white. It was founded in 1875, with the aim of affording to members of the Church of England and others a means of giving their children a first-class education. Accordingly, the Visitor of the School is the LORD BISHOP OF BATHURST.

Under the Headmastership of Mr. BEAN, the College rapidly increased in numbers and reputation; and, on his retirement some four years ago, it passed into the hands of the Rev. F. TRACEY, M.A. (Syd)., B.A. (Oxon. and Lond.)

MR. TRACEY, who was a Classical Scholar of Uppingham School and Mathematical Exhibitioner of Exeter College, Oxford, held the appointment of Vice-Warden of St. Paul's College, Sydney University, before occupying his present position. He is assisted by three resident masters, all of whom are University graduates, while a qualified governess superintends the education of the younger children, most of her pupils being from eight to twelve years old.

Boys come from various parts of the country to obtain the advantages of a good education and a most healthy climate. Delicate children—especially those who suffer from asthma and pulmonary ailments—invariably derive great benefit from the dry, bracing air of Bathurst.

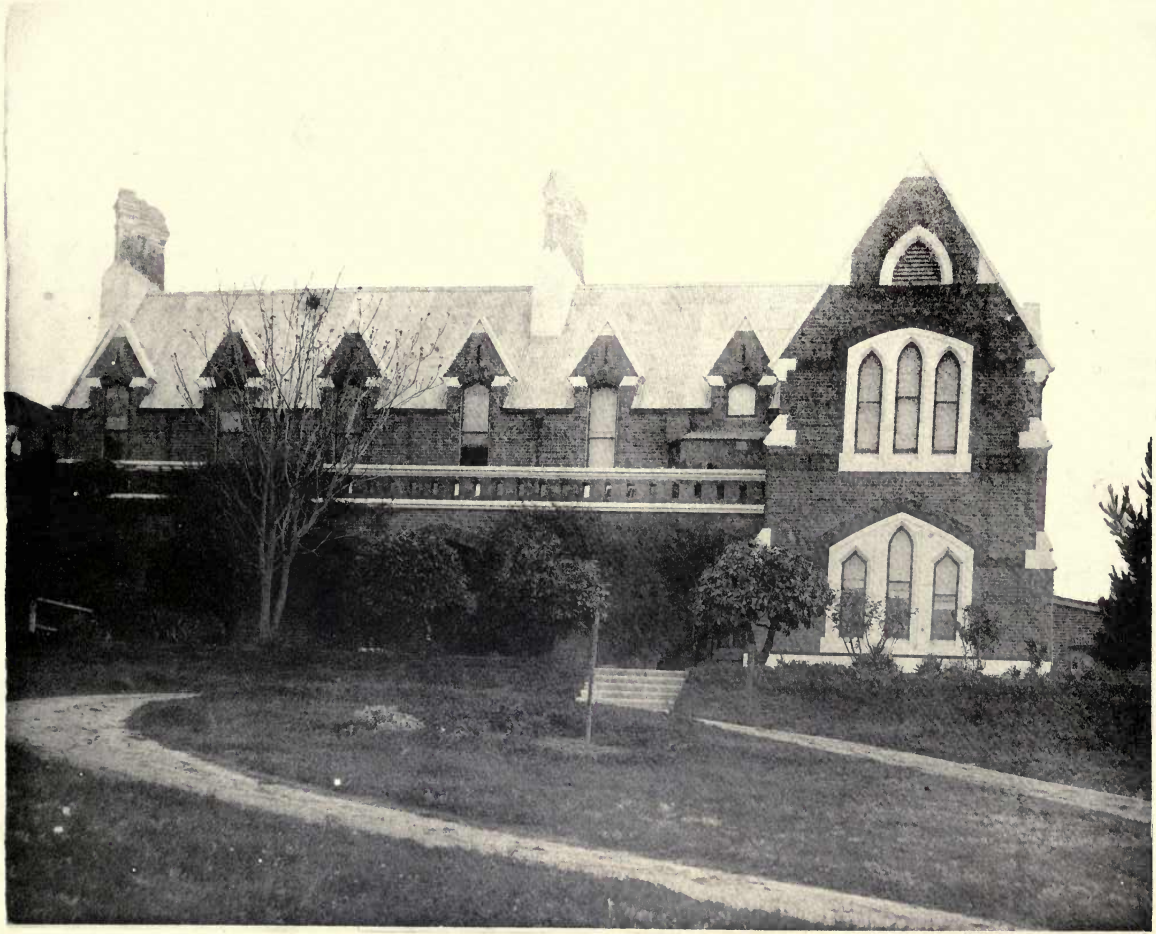
BATHURST DISTRICT.

THE BATHURST DISTRICT, comprising East and West Macquarie Electorates, contains about 50,000 acres of cultivated land, on which is grown wheat, oats, barley, rye, maize, millet, potatoes, turnips, pumpkins, and other root crops ; lucerne and sown grasses and fruit of various kinds, principally grapes, apples, plums, and cherries; also raspberries, currants, and gooseberries, which grow to great perfection.

The early settlers having found the coast district too small and heavily timbered for stock-raising, they determined to push westward through the Blue Mountains in search of suitable land for grazing. After considerable hardship and dangers their labours were richly rewarded by the discovery of the now celebrated Bathurst Plains. They found the plains clothed with grass of a very fattening nature, and an abundance of fresh water, excellent for stock and all domestic purposes.

The plains of Bathurst have been cultivated for many years, and have produced enormous crops of the choicest grain, the flour of which gave satisfaction to all who used it ; in fact, the writer has often heard bakers declare that the best flour they ever used was made at Bathurst; maize, barley and rye-corn are also grown. If maize had proper cultivation, such as is given to it at Richmond or Windsor, very good crops could be raised. The average maize crop of the district now is about 30 bushels per acre, and with better cultivation 50 to 100 bushels could be easily grown.

Often the virgin soil on the plains produces from 30 to 40 bushels of wheat per acre of prime quality, and with rotation of crops, deep ploughing, liberal manure, and good cultivation, it should be an easy matter to average 25 to 30 bushels per acre The black flats on the River Macquarie and on the Vale Creek produce very large crops of



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ALL SAINTS' COLLEGE.

lucerne, which in favorable seasons is cut many times during the year; indeed, some of those flats cannot be surpassed for richness in any country.

All the Bathurst district is well adapted for stock raising, all animals reared in the district being healthy; and as the grass is of a fattening nature, animals grow to a good size. The landowners around Bathurst for many years have been successful breeders of sheep, cattle, and horses for stud purposes—the stud sheep and cattle raised in the district being well and favorably known all over the country. There is undoubtedly a grand opening for the Bathurst farmers in the way of raising stud sheep, so as to produce the very best rams. They must be highly fed from the time of lambing until they are full grown, and this graziers in dry districts are not always able to do, as in droughts and very dry seasons the grass alone is not sufficient feed for young stud sheep.

Fruit growing in the Bathurst District is a profitable industry—excellent grapes are produced all round Bathurst and in various parts of the district, such as Wattle Flat, Yetholme, and Dunkeld; prime apples, cherries, plums, &c., are grown, and one of the finest samples of strawberries the writer ever saw was grown near Bathurst.

There is undoubtedly a great future for Bathurst when the farmers find out how to produce on one acre what they now grow on three, and adopt rotation of crops, manure their land, and raise high-class stock as well as grain and hay.

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